

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

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The invention is to create a n arrangement for controlling and monitoring a switching installation which can be produced in a relatively cost-effective manner. To this end, the arrangement comprises a station control computer system into which the functions of at least one process control appliance and at least on protective appliance are integrated. Furthermore, the arrangement also comprises devices used to digitally control switches of the switching installation and comprising digital inputs and outputs, and an electronic conversion system arranged close to the switches and provided with digital outputs. The digital inputs and outputs of the devices for digital control and the digital outputs of the electronic conversation system are directly connected to the station control computer device by means of communication connections.